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HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.



RULES AND REGULATIONS

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CITY CLUB.

COMMITTEE, 1886.

THOMAS BROWN, *President.*

A. E. CURREN, *Chairman Committee.*

W. A. BLACK,

W. J. STEWART,

H. L. CHIPMAN,

DR. TRENAMAN,

J. T. LITHGOW,

GEO. HARVEY,

JOHN STRACHAN,

GEO. E. BOAK,

GEO. CAMPBELL,

W. C. NORTHUP,

H. G. BAULD,

H. MACDONALD,

L. D. WIER,

EDWARD STAIRS, *Treasurer.*

W. L. BROWN,

Secretary.

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RULES—CITY CLUB.



NAME.

I.—This Association shall be known as the CITY CLUB.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

II.—The City Club shall consist of not more than two hundred members, exclusive of honorary, supernumerary and privileged members.

POLITICS, RELIGION.

III.—Political and religious questions of every description shall be excluded from the objects of the Club.

CANDIDATES.

IV.—Each candidate for admission shall be proposed by one member and seconded by another. The candidate's name, and usual place of residence, profession or other occupation shall be inserted at the time of proposal in the book for candidates, and signed by the proposer and seconder.

RULES OF BALLOT.

V.—The ballot for members shall take place on the first Wednesday in each month, to commence at four-thirty o'clock, and end at six-thirty o'clock, p. m. A list, dated and signed by the Secretary, containing the name of each candidate to be balloted for, with those of the proposer and seconder, shall be put up in a conspicuous place in the Rooms, at least seven days before the day of ballot. During the hours

of ballot a notice to the effect that the ballot is going on, shall be affixed to each list, with a particular request that members will attend. The ballot-boxes shall be examined and secured previous to use, by the Secretary and one member of the committee ; and after the ballot is over the boxes shall not be removed until they have been opened and examined by the Secretary in the presence of at least two members of the committee. The result of the ballot as regards each candidate shall be immediately entered opposite their names respectively, on each list, and signed by the Scrutineers. Each candidate must have at least twenty votes until the membership reaches one hundred, after which thirty votes will be necessary to constitute his election, and one black ball in five shall exclude. In the event of any candidate not having the required number of votes, his name will be placed at the top of the list for next ballot. Any candidate who shall have been twice black balled, will not be eligible to be again proposed.

NEW MEMBERS.

ELECTION.

VI.—On the admission of each new member the Secretary shall notify the same to him, and furnish him with a printed copy of the rules. He shall also request him to remit the amount of his entrance fee to the Treasurer or to the Secretary at the Club House.

ENTRANCE AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

VII.—The entrance fee, payable on admission to the Club, shall be twenty dollars, and the annual subscription fifteen dollars, payable half-yearly. Members elected after the month of May in any year are only required to pay pro rata for the remainder of the year in which they may be elected. Citizens of Halifax who were members of the Halifax Club previous to May, 1886, may be elected members of this Club without payment of entrance fee.

All subscriptions shall be payable on the first day of May and the first day of November in each year, after which day no notice of withdrawal shall exempt the retiring member from the payment of the current half-year's subscription.

NEW MEMBERS TO PAY BEFORE VOTING.

VIII.—No new member shall be admitted to ballot for a candidate or vote on any occasion whatever, or to enjoy any of the privileges of the club, until he shall have paid his admission fee.

FAILURE TO PAY ON ENTRANCE.

IX.—Should a new member not pay his admission fee within three months from his admission into the Club, if in America, or within twelve months if abroad the Secretary shall report the circumstances to the committee, who shall cause his name to be erased from the list of members, unless he can justify the delay to the satisfaction of the committee.

WHEN MEMBERS NOT ALLOWED TO VOTE.

X.—From and after the first day of May in each year, no member of the Club shall be allowed to vote at a ballot or to act as a member of the committee until he shall have paid his subscription.

FAILURE IN PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTION.

XI.—The name of every member who shall not have paid his subscription within one month after the same became due, shall then be posted in the Club House, notice of which shall be sent to him or his Agent by the Secretary, and if the subscription be not paid on or before the last day of the third month after the same fell due, the defaulter shall cease to be a member of the Club and his name shall be erased from the books by the committee: but he may be re-admitted on assigning to the committee, reasons which they may deem satisfactory for his failure of payment.

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SUPERNUMERARY MEMBERS.

XII.—Any member leaving the Province, may, on written application to the committee, and on payment of an annual subscription of five dollars, but not otherwise, become a supernumerary member, and during his absence be exempt from the annual subscription. He shall be liable, however, to the payment of his annual subscription for the year in which he departs from the Province, and for that in which he returns to it, less the five dollars so paid as above, provided, on such return he shall remain within the Province for more than one month: and if he shall remain that space of time only, he shall be entitled to the privileges of the Club for that period. No member's name shall be retained or placed on the supernumerary list until payment of the current year's subscription of five dollars.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

XIII.—The general concerns of the Club shall be managed by a committee of fifteen members. The committee shall be elected by ballot, of whom one third shall go out annually by rotation, the vacancies to be filled at the general meeting: but the five retiring members may be re-elected, and the committee may fill any vacancies that may occur in their body by resignation or otherwise during the year: such appointment to be in force until the next annual meeting.

Whenever there are three vacancies in the committee in the current year, notice shall be posted in the Club, and such vacancies shall be filled up by ballot on the regular day for the election of members next, after seven days from such notice. A Treasurer shall be elected at the annual general meeting, who shall be *ex officio* a member of the committee. The Treasurer elect will be required, before entering on the duties of his office, to provide security to the amount of one thousand dollars.

MAY MAKE RULES, &C.

XIV.—The committee shall, at its first meeting after each annual election, or as soon thereafter as they may consider convenient, appoint from its own body as many sub-committees as may be required to superintend the several departments of the Club: and shall make from time to time such regulations (consistent with these general rules) as they shall think necessary for the well being of the Club.

TO MEET WEEKLY.

XV.—The committee (three of whom shall form a quorum) shall meet weekly, on a stated day, to transact current business.

EXPULSION OF MEMBERS.

XVI.—Any infraction of the rules and regulations of the Club shall be taken immediate cognizance of by the committee: and in case the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the committee, or of any thirty members of the Club, who shall certify the same to them in writing, be injurious to the character and

interests of the Club, the committee shall be empowered to recommend such member to resign; and if the member refuses to resign, then the committee shall be authorized to suspend him from the privileges of the Club, until his conduct shall have been investigated and decided upon by a special general meeting, to be convened for that purpose upon a requisition of thirty members, as provided by rule XX.: and whenever any circumstances shall occur likely to endanger the welfare and good order of the Club, or whenever the committee shall think it expedient to submit the conduct of any member to the judgement of a general meeting, the committee shall summon a special general meeting, giving seven days notice thereof: and in the event of it being voted at that meeting, consisting of at least forty members, by two-thirds of the persons present, to be decided by ballot, that the name of any member should be removed from the Club, then in that case the subscription of such member for the half-year shall be returned, and he shall cease to belong to the Club, such decision to be final.

RETIREMENT OF MEMBERS.

XVII.—Any member whose dues are all paid shall be at liberty to withdraw from the Club on his written application to that effect, sent in to the committee. The committee are authorized in their discretion to re-admit to the Club on such pecuniary terms as they may consider right, such full members as may have resigned their membership from any cause, and wish to rejoin the Institution.

RETIRING TO FORFEIT ALL RIGHTS.

XVIII.—Any member who shall withdraw, resign, or be expelled, or shall cease to be a member of the Club, shall forfeit all right or claim thereon, or in or to its property or funds: and any member who shall be expelled shall be ineligible to be re-admitted a member of the Club for five years.

GENERAL MEETINGS.

XIX.—There shall be two general meetings of the Club, regularly every year, one on the second Wednesday of March for the purpose of electing the committee for the succeeding year, and receiving from the committee a report and abstract of the accounts and general concerns of the Club for the past year, together with an estimate of the receipts and disbursements of the current year. At this meeting members shall be at liberty to bring forward any subject having reference to the management and concerns of the Club. The other regular general meeting shall be held on the fourteenth day after the former, for the purpose of deciding on such propositions as may have been submitted at the first meeting. The chair shall be taken at all annual and special general meetings at eight o'clock p. m., precisely. The account of the Club shall be audited by an auditor not a member of the committee.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS.

XX.—The committee shall have power at all times to convene an extraordinary meeting of the Club, on giving seven days notice, to be posted during that period in the public rooms of the Club, specifying the object of such meeting in the form of a resolution, to be signed by not less than six members of the committee, and at such extraordinary meeting no subject shall be discussed beyond that specified in the notice. The committee shall also call an extraordinary meeting at any time, on a like notice, and under similar restrictions, on the written requisition of twenty members not being of the committee, who must state distinctly their object.

NEW RULES, HOW MADE, &C.

XXI.—If any new rule or alteration of an old one be duly proposed at the first regular annual meeting, and approved of and confirmed at the second regular annual meeting that day fortnight, by two-thirds of the members then present, whatever the number may be, the same

shall be considered as adopted by the Club, but no new rule or alteration of an old one shall ever be made at a special general meeting without the sanction of an absolute majority of two-thirds of the members present, and forty members at least voting on the occasion, and fourteen days notice being given; nor unless the proposed new rule or alteration of an old one has been posted up in the usual place in the public rooms, fourteen days previous to the day of meeting.

HOUSE HOURS.

XXII.—The Club shall be open every day for the reception of members, at seven o'clock in the forenoon in summer, and at eight o'clock in the forenoon in winter, and shall be closed and the lights extinguished at twelve o'clock, except on Sundays, when the house shall be closed at eleven o'clock, p. m., and no member shall be admitted into the Club House after these hours, under any pretense whatever, unless specially authorized by the committee.

STRANGERS, THEIR ADMISSION, &c.

XXIII.—The committee are empowered to regulate the admission of strangers in company with members to the Club House. The names of said strangers to be written in the visitor's book. No person residing within the limits of the County of Halifax shall be eligible to be introduced as strangers or the guests of members.

PAYMENT OF CLUB BILLS.

XXIV.—All members are to pay their Club bills for every expense they incur in the Club before they leave the house, the servants having strict orders not to open accounts with any individual.

NO GRATUITIES.

XXV.—No member shall give any money or gratuity to any of the servants of the establishment, or permit any stranger to do so.

WINES, LIQUORS, &C.

XXVI.—No wines or other liquors are to be sent out of the house, on any pretence whatever. Nor will the practice of treating be permitted except to guests.

NOT TO TAKE AWAY PAPERS, &C.

XXVII.—No member shall take, or permit to be taken from the Club, on any pretence whatever, or shall injure or destroy any newspaper, pamphlet, or other article, the property of the Club.

COMPLAINTS.

XXVIII.—All complaints respecting the servants or domestic arrangements of the Club must be stated by letter, signed by the member complaining, which letter, addressed to the Secretary, must be laid by him before the committee, at their next weekly meeting.

ADDRESS OF MEMBERS.

XXIX.—Each member of the Club shall give his address, or that of his agent, from time to time, to the Secretary, and all notices being sent to such address shall be considered as duly delivered.

DOGS.

XXX.—No member is on any account to bring a dog into the Club House.

PRIVILEGED MEMBERS.

XXXI.—Gentlemen residing in Nova Scotia for an indefinite period, who shall satisfy the committee that their residence in this country is temporary and precarious, and liable to be terminated by the occurrence of circumstances beyond their control, may be elected by ballot as Privileged Members without payment of entrance fee, but subject to an annual subscrip-

tion of fifteen dollars, semi-annual ten dollars, or quarterly five dollars, and also to the constitution and regulations of the Club generally, and after having paid their subscriptions, but in no case before, will be admitted to all the advantages of the Club, except that of being elected members of the committee, or voting in any way in the affairs of the Club.

Persons residing outside the limits of Halifax County may be admitted as Privileged Members under this rule. And when their permanent residence is within the County of Halifax shall, as regards their subscriptions, be subject to the provisions of Rule VII.

Privileged Members desiring to retire from the Club will be expected to give notice thereof in writing to the Secretary previous to the expiration of the period for which they have subscribed; any Privileged Member failing so to do, or who shall frequent the Club after that period, will be liable for the subscription for the ensuing period.

THEIR ELECTION.

XXXII.—Each candidate as a Privileged Member must be so designated in the book and also on the lists of candidates for election posted in the public rooms, and no candidate to be a Privileged Member shall be placed on said list unless his name shall have been submitted for the approval of the committee one week before the day of ballot. Candidates for Privileged Membership whose stay in the city shall not exceed six months, may be elected by the committee.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

XXXIII.—The committee shall have the power to admit as "Honorary Members" for such periods as they may deem fit from time to time any persons of distinguished rank or position to whom it may seem proper to offer such a compliment, but the resolution to admit them must be agreed to by a majority of the committee.

FOURTEEN DAY PRIVILEGE.

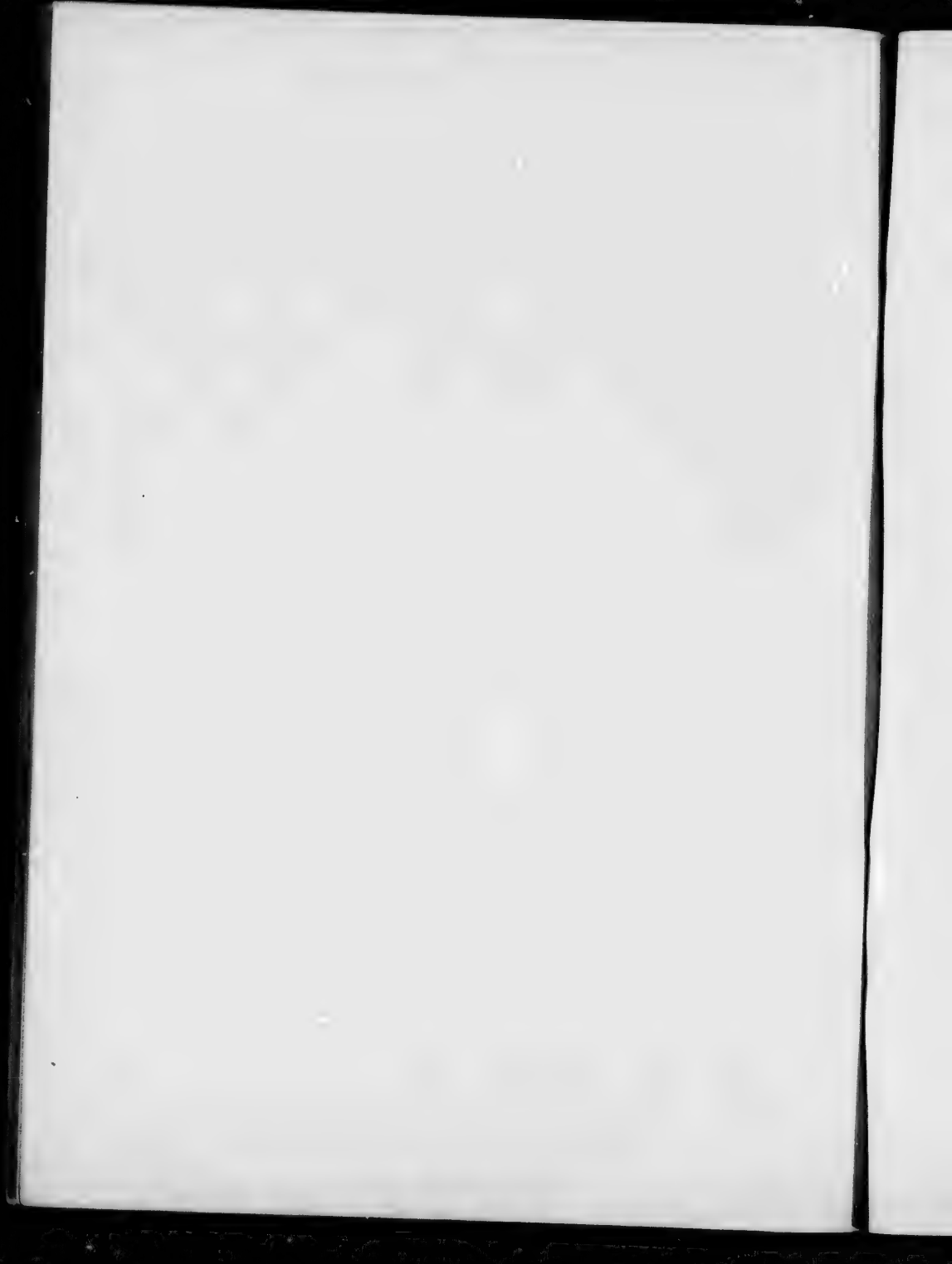
XXXIV.—Any member wishing to introduce a friend temporarily visiting Halifax, and not residing in the County of Halifax, as an Honorary Member of the Club, must send in a written application for permission to do so, stating the name and profession of such friend to the committee at their weekly meeting, for their sanction; or he must obtain, by request, the signatures of three members of the committee, or the acting committee for the month, to his application as approving of it. The application thus signed must then be handed to the Secretary, who will notify the person named therein that he has been admitted to the Club for fourteen days, and this privilege may be extended, with the consent of the committee, for the further period of one month on payment of five dollars; but it shall not be extended to more than one friend to each member at one time. Every member to whom this permission may be accorded will be held responsible for the eligibility of his nominee, as well as for his observance of all the rules of the Club.

The name of every Honorary Member, with that of his proposer; will be entered in a book provided for that purpose on the day of his admission; but the period for which the privileges of the Club may be granted him will be reckoned from his first entry to the Club House to partake of them. If, however, any Honorary Member shall fail to avail himself of the permission within the fourteen days, it will then be cancelled.

No person shall be eligible to be proposed as an Honorary Member after having been in Halifax fourteen days, nor for more than twice in any one year.

RULES TO BE PRINTED, &c.

XXXV.—These Rules and Regulations shall be printed, and a copy of them, together with a list of the committee, shall be delivered to every member of the Club, or transmitted to his address, and thenceforth become binding upon every member of the Club; but no member shall be absolved from the effect of these Rules, on any allegation of not having received them.



HOUSE REGULATIONS.

BILLIARDS.

The following regulations will be in force in the Billiard Room :

1st.—The game of Pool shall have choice and take precedence over Billiards and Pyramids, and may be played in consecutive games.

2nd.—For Billiards and Pyramids the table can only be engaged for one game of fifty or one hundred points.

Precedence of playing is given according to entry of names on markers slate. Players of billiards must intimate to the marker whether they intend to play a game of fifty or one hundred points

The charges will be as follows: Pool, five cents per ball, stars five cents extra.

Billiards, fifteen cents for a game of fifty; twenty-five cents for a game of 100 points, or two consecutive games of 50.

Pyramids, one cent per ball, two consecutive games twenty-five cents.

Carom Games, fifteen cents for games of fifteen points; twenty-five cents for games of twenty-five points. No carom game to exceed twenty-five points.

Other games, by the hour, sixty cents. No stakes will be permitted in any game of pool or billiards beyond the sum of twenty-five cents.

Players will immediately after play obtain their cheques and deposit them in the box.

The marker is instructed on the conclusion of each game, to present to the loser a cheque for the amount of the game, together with the box in which the same is to be deposited.

CARDS.

Each player before commencing to play will deposit in the card room box, the sum of ten cents.

All cards will be supplied by the Club. Second hand cards may be bought from the Steward.

Players to have the privilege of cutting in after each rubber, six players to form a complete table.

Tables may be engaged for parties of four and upwards, on giving notice to the Steward, who will enter name of party in his book, and reserve table for said party, who will deposit twenty-five cents for the Table.

Gambling or the use of money prohibited.

Whist to be limited to ten cent points.

Games of chance, such as poker, nap, lou and games of like nature prohibited.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Smoking will be permitted in all the rooms except the coffee, reading and reception rooms.

No large boxes or baggage belonging to a member will be admitted into the Hall, and bags or portmanteaus sent by members wishing to dress, will be sent to the dressing room.

No member, except on special duty will be allowed to go into the apartments apportioned for the use of the servants of the Club.

Strangers calling to see members of the Club, will be shown into the Reception Hall, or other room set apart by the committee for that purpose, and intimation of their arrival sent to the member inquired for, if in the House.

No officer or servant shall receive under penalty of dismissal, any present whatever, from the members, guests or tradesmen of the Club.

Articles of glass, earthenware, &c., which may be broken by members in any part of the Club House, to be paid for by them at prices to be fixed by the committee.

Servants will be held responsible for breakage and loss of and damage to the property of the Club.

No servant of the Club will be sent out of the house on any errand or pretense whatever, unless upon Club business by the Steward, Secretary, or member of committee, or to post letters at stated periods, forward telegrams, or to call a cab from the nearest stand.

No pamphlet, advertisement or notice of any kind shall be laid on the table or put up in the Club by a member, without the consent of the committee. Any pamphlet which it may be wished to make known to the Club, shall be sent to the committee for approval. The local daily papers are on no account to be taken out of the reading room, during the day or evening of publication, nor any other papers for one day after they are laid on table.

Sandwiches, biscuits, or liquids, will be served to members in the coffee, smoking, billiard and card rooms only.

The foregoing regulations may be altered by a majority of the general committee at any meeting, notice of such alteration having been given at the previous meeting, and communicated to each member of the committee, together with the date of the meeting for final disposal of same.